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PO: Office of the Denasification Advisor
GMB, APO 497-A, U.S. Army
Attention: Mr. C.H. SHALL

Since the end of World War II, I am residing in the United States of America. Since I do not know at what time I shall return to Germany, I request a trial in absentia by a Bavarian denazification board. My home is in ~~Wieliczka~~, Sillesia, located in the Soviet Zone of Germany, to which I cannot return for very obvious reasons. Therefore, I request this trial in absentia by a Bavarian denazification board.

I also have given authority to present my interests in this demarcification trial to the lawyer Dr. Otto KERNARDT, residing at FRANKFURT/Main, Gventharsburg-Allee 10, who is also in possession of all documents, copies of which I inclose in this letter.

Very sincerely yours,

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13 January 1949

SUBJECT: Denazification of 34

TO : 23 and 34, PERSONAL
TO: Office of the Denazification
OMGB, APO 20-40, V.I. 101

1. On January 13, 1949, the undersigned visited Mr. G. H. SHELL and Mr. WOOD, both of the Office of the Denazification Advisor, OMGB, with reference to possible assistance for the denazification of 34.

2. Both Mr. SHELL and Mr. WOOD are known by the undersigned for a long period of time and it is the opinion of the undersigned that these two War Department civilians are absolutely trustworthy. The undersigned explained the importance of the denazification case of 34 and also explained that formerly there would have been any difficulties if 34 would not have been in contact with the United States.

3. All different possibilities were discussed, and Mr. SHELL advised that the following method would be by far the best: 34 should pretend to be still in the United States. He should write a personal letter (see enclosed draft) and attach to this letter photostatic copies of all the documents which he wishes to present for his denazification. This letter and the documents directly to Mr. SAOBE of the German Ministry of Denazification, requesting a trial in absentia. Mr. SAOBE then should get in touch with the lawyer of 34 and it is believed by Mr. SHELL that this method would not cause any publicity or compromise. I am most appreciative of this matter.

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